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In re United States Patent Application of:)	Docket No.:	014875-000005
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Applicants:	LEWIN, Robert Glyn, et al.)	Conf. No.:	3554
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**RESPONSE TO THE APRIL 23, 2009 OFFICE ACTION AND REQUEST FOR A
THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a) IN U.S. PATENT
APPLICATION NO. 11/042,531**

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Dear Sir:

This responds to the December 23, 2009 Office Action in the subject patent application.

The claims are set out in the following **Section I (The Claims)**.

Remarks addressing the substance of the December 23, 2009 Office Action are set out in the **Section II (Remarks)** hereof.